

**U.S. Embassy Lusaka, Zambia**  
**Warden Message**  
**January 12, 2011**

**Barotseland/Western Province Demonstrations**

For U.S. citizens living in or traveling to Western Province:

Supporters of autonomy for Barotseland plan to stage a demonstration Friday, January 14, at 10 a.m. in Limilunga Village near the Litunga's palace. Please remember that demonstrations that are meant to be peaceful can sometimes become violent and unpredictable quickly. As such, U.S. citizens should use caution when in the vicinity of any demonstrations and are advised to avoid large political gatherings. .

U.S. citizens should exercise caution if traveling through Western Province, particularly Mongu District, and consider deferring unnecessary trips to that area until the situation is calm. U.S. citizens should stay current with media coverage of local events and be aware of their surroundings at all times.

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U.S. citizens can obtain Embassy updates by checking the [U.S. Embassy, Zambia web site](http://zambia.usembassy.gov) (<http://zambia.usembassy.gov>). You can also obtain global updates at the U.S. Department of State's [Bureau of Consular Affairs website](#) where you can find the current [Worldwide Caution](#), Travel Warnings, Travel Alerts and [Country Specific Information for Zambia](#). If you do not have Internet access, you may contact the call center for updates--1-888-407-4747 toll-free in the U.S. and Canada, or outside the U.S. and Canada on a regular toll line at 1-202-501-4444. These numbers are available from 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. Eastern Time, Monday through Friday (except federal holidays).

If your contact information has changed, please update your information with the Embassy via the [Smart Traveler Enrollment Program](http://travel.state.gov/step) (STEP) (<http://travel.state.gov/step>) – formerly known as the Internet Based Registration Service (IBRS). It is important to include your current phone number and current email address where you can be reached in case of an emergency.

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